



DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES

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December 5, 2002

Mr. James B. Gulliford
Regional Administrator
U.S. EPA, Region VII
901 North Fifth Street
Kansas City, KS 66101

Dear Mr. Gulliford:

The Missouri Air Conservation Commission has recently revised or promulgated the following air quality plan(s) contained in the Missouri State Implementation Plan (SIP). The following is enclosed for your review:

Redesignation Demonstration and Maintenance Plan for the Missouri Portion of the St. Louis Nonattainment Area.

On September 25, 2002, the Department of Natural Resources' Air Pollution Control Program submitted a letter requesting that the United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) parallel process the proposed Redesignation Demonstration and Maintenance Plan for the Missouri Portion of the St. Louis Nonattainment Area. A copy of this letter is enclosed.

On October 23, 2002, the department's Air Pollution Control Program held a public hearing in St. Louis, Missouri to receive oral or written comments on the Redesignation Demonstration and Maintenance Plan for the Missouri Portion the St. Louis Nonattainment Area. The plan was also presented at the regular Missouri Air Conservation Commission meeting on October 24, 2002, in Kirksville, Missouri. The public comment period ended on October 31, 2002. A summary of the comments received and our responses are enclosed with this letter. Any changes to the proposed Redesignation Demonstration and Maintenance Plan are identified in the responses to the comments.

The commission adopted the enclosed plan action(s) on December 5, 2002, after considering comments received at public hearing. The commission has full legal authority to develop the Missouri State Implementation Plan pursuant to Section of the Missouri Air Conservation Law. The state followed all applicable administrative procedures in proposing and adopting the plan action(s). Enclosed are the required SIP submittal elements for determination of plan completeness per 40 CFR Part 51, Appendix V.

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The Missouri Department of Natural Resources requests that the Environmental Protection Agency amend the SIP to include the Redesignation Demonstration and Maintenance Plan as submitted.

Thank you for your attention to this matter. If you have any questions regarding this submittal, please contact James L. Kavanaugh, Missouri Department of Natural Resources' Air Pollution Control Program at P.O. Box 176, Jefferson City, MO 65102 or by phone at (573) 751-4817.

Sincerely,

AIR POLLUTION CONTROL PROGRAM

Original signed by Leanne J. Tippet

Leanne J. Tippet
Interim Director

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Enclosures:

Copy of plan
Copy of commission signature page certifying Missouri Air Conservation Commission adoption
Copy of technical support documentation for plan (if applicable)
Copies of public hearing newspaper notices
Copy of public hearing transcript introductory statement
Copy of public comments and responses

c: Missouri Air Conservation Commission